FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 22, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2708 - HB 2548**

This bill, if enacted, will amend the definition of "farm equipment and machinery" for exemption from the sales tax to include self-propelled fertilizer or chemical application equipment. The bill attempts to broaden the tax exemption to include lease or rental payments for farm equipment and machinery.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be a decrease in state and local government sales tax revenues. Such decrease cannot be determined but is estimated to be not significant.

This impact does not consider the effect of lease or rental payments for farm equipment and machinery being exempt from the sales tax since the definition of farm equipment and machinery is not altered by this bill, which the Department of Revenue indicates is necessary for such exemption.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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James A. Davenport, Executive Director